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In re application of Llinas-Brunet, M. et al

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For: Hepatitis C Inhibitor Tri-Peptides

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

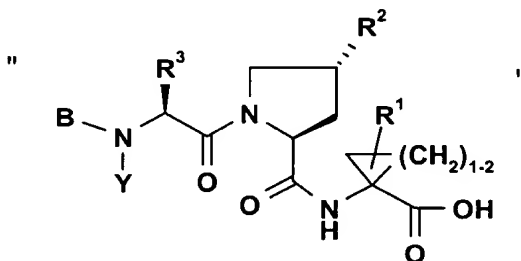
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

At page 4, lines 13-14, delete the following structure:



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